GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA

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AMENDMENT IN CHILD LABOUR PROHIBITION REGULATION ACT
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to amend the Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 in order to ensure the absolute abolition of child labour in every form from the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the necessary legislation is likely to be introduced ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. The Government is not proposing to amend the Child Labour (Prohibitionand Regulation) Act, 1986 to prohibit all forms of child labour. Considering the socio-economicconditions of the country and the nature and magnitude of the problem, Government is followinga sequential approach of first covering children working in hazardous occupations/processes.

(c): Does not arise.